

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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WEDNESDAY, November 4, 1998

The Chief Clerk makes the following entries under the above date.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Family Services

October 23, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

Section 46.277 (5m) directs the Department of Health and Family Services to submit a report, by October 1 each year, to the Joint Committee on Finance, and to the Chief Clerk of each house of the Legislature for distribution to the appropriate standing committees, describing the cost and quality of services used under the Medicaid Home and Community – Based Waivers and the extent to which existing services have been used under the program in the preceding calendar year. The Department has completed the programmatic and demographic sections of the report. Information on the cost of community care and institutional care is based on a report submitted annually to the Federal Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA). The completion of this report, which normally occurs in late summer after the close of the state fiscal year, has been delayed due to technical computer and data compilation–related problems. HCFA has provided the Department an extension to complete the report by the end of December 1998. The Department will then be able to complete the Medicaid Home and Community – Based Waivers report and submit it to the Legislature in January 1999.

Please contact me or my staff with any questions.

Sincerely,

JOE LEEAN
Secretary

Referred to the committee on Health, Family Services and Aging

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Family Service

July 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Pursuant to section 153.10 (1), Wis. Stat., we are pleased to submit to the Governor and to the Legislature the quarterly Health Care Data Report. This report is based on hospital inpatient discharge data reported to the Office of Health Care Information by all operating general medical–surgical and specialty hospitals in Wisconsin for the third quarter of 1997. It also contains selected ambulatory surgery utilization and charge data from general medical–surgical hospitals and freestanding ambulatory surgery centers in Wisconsin during the same quarter.

This report fulfills the statutory requirement to report “*in a manner that permits comparisons among hospitals...the charges for up to 100 health care services or diagnostic–related groups selected by the office.*”

Sincerely,

BARBARA A. RUDOLPH, PH.D.
Director – Office of Health Care Information

State of Wisconsin

Department of Health and Family Service

July 1998

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This report fulfills the statutory requirement to report “*in a manner that permits comparisons among hospitals...the charges for up to 100 health care services or diagnostic–related groups selected by the office.*”

Sincerely,

BARBARA A. RUDOLPH, PH.D.
Director – Office of Health Care Information

State of Wisconsin

Milwaukee Area Technical College

October 28, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

Attached is a copy of the information provided to all students, in accordance with Wis. Stats. 38.12.

a. All new students are required to attend a New Student Orientation. During these orientations, detailed information is shared regarding Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment, also these students receive the attached handout.

b. All continuing students receive in the mail the attached flyer.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mr. Archie Graham, Director of Student Life at (414)297–6870.

Sincerely,

MR. ARCHIE L. GRAHAM
Director of Student Life

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Financial Institutions**

November 1, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

On behalf of Department of Financial Institutions Secretary Richard L. Dean and pursuant to Section 13.172(2), Wis. Stats., I am transmitting this report on the open-end consumer credit market in Wisconsin. Pursuant to section 15 of 1995 Wisconsin Act 23, the Department of Financial Institutions was required to review and report on the open-end consumer credit market in Wisconsin by November 1, 1998. The report is submitted below in electronic form as a Microsoft Word document. It is recommended that the report be reviewed in "page layout" view in order to see and easily access footnotes.

If you are unable to access this document, please contact me at (608)266-0450 to obtain a paper copy.

Sincerely,

LISA M. ROYS

Director of Communications

Department of Financial Institutions

**State of Wisconsin
Department of Financial Institutions**

October 30, 1998

The Honorable, The Legislature:

Pursuant to 1997 Wisconsin Act 306, the Department of Financial Institutions is required to prepare by November 1, 1998, a report to the Joint Committee on Information Policy and the Governor's Commission on the Use of Electronic Signatures. This report is to contain any information and recommendations that the Department considers useful to governmental units in implementing systems to use electronic signatures to authenticate electronic documents submitted to governmental units.

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 13.172(3), the Department of Financial Institutions submits this report to the Chief Clerks via www.esignatures.org – the official website of the Governor's Commission on the Use of Electronic Signatures. On October 19, 1998, the Department presented this report to the commission via this website at the Commission's first meeting.

Sincerely,

RICHARD L. DEAN

Secretary

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

October 27, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

At the direction of s. 13.685(7), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:

The following organizations previously registered with the Ethics Board have authorized to act on their behalf these additional licensed lobbyists:

Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

Liebe, Thomas

Termination of lobbying authorizations:

The following individuals are no longer authorized to lobby on behalf of the organizations listed below, as of the dates indicated.

MCI Telecommunications Corp.

Brown, George 10/23/98

Sincerely,

ROTH JUDD

Director

**State of Wisconsin
Ethics Board**

November 3, 1998

The Honorable, The Senate:

At the direction of s. 13.685(7), *Wisconsin Statutes*, I am furnishing you with the names of organizations recently registered with the Ethics Board that employ one or more individuals to affect state legislation or administrative rules, and notifying you of changes in the Ethics Board's records of licensed lobbyists and their employers. For each recently registered organization I have included the organization's description of the general area of legislative or administrative action that it attempts to influence and the name of each licensed lobbyist that the organization has authorized to act on its behalf.

Organization's authorization of additional lobbyists:

The following organizations previously registered with the Ethics Board have authorized to act on their behalf these additional licensed lobbyists:

Wisconsin Electric Power Co

Irwin, Ron

Mueller, H. Carl

Also available from the Wisconsin Ethics Board are reports identifying the amount and value of time state agencies have spent to affect legislative action and reports of expenditures for lobbying activities filed by the organizations that employ lobbyists.

Sincerely,

ROTH JUDD

Director

**REFERRALS AND RECEIPT OF
COMMITTEE REPORTS CONCERNING
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

**State of Wisconsin
Revisor of Statutes Bureau**

November 1, 1998

To the Honorable, the Senate:

The following rules have been published:

Clearinghouse Rules	Effective Date(s)
97-119	November 1, 1998
97-146	November 1, 1998
97-157	November 1, 1998
98- 20	November 1, 1998
98- 26	November 1, 1998
98- 38	November 1, 1998
98- 47	November 1, 1998
98- 49	November 1, 1998
98- 56	November 1, 1998
98- 58	January 1, 1999
98- 59	November 1, 1998
98- 66	November 1, 1998

98- 70 November 1, 1998
 98- 82 November 1, 1998
 98- 89 November 1, 1998

Sincerely,
 GARY L. POULSON
 Deputy Revisor

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 97-047

Relating to the operation of rural medical centers.
 Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Health, Family Services and Aging**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 97-152

Relating to the administration of the private forest landowner grant program.
 Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Environment and Energy**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-042

Relating to the assessment and collection of fees providing assistance on the remediation and redevelopment of contaminated lands.
 Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Environment and Energy**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-053

Relating to biennial continuing education requirements for social worker certification renewal.
 Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-094

Relating to fishing tournament permitting.
 Submitted by Department of Natural Resources.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Environment and Energy**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-108

Relating to the health insurance risk-sharing plan.
 Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Health, Family Services and Aging**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-112

Relating to the Milwaukee parental school choice program.
 Submitted by Department of Public Instruction.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Education and Financial Institutions**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-113

Relating to grants for peer review and mentoring.
 Submitted by Department of Public Instruction.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Education and Financial Institutions**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-115

Relating to continuing education, renewal, temporary practices, practical examinations, fitting of hearing instruments, use of titles, initials and designations and unlicensed practice.
 Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-116

Relating to the practice of massage therapy and bodywork.
 Submitted by Department of Regulation and Licensing.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-121

Relating to division of land abutting a state trunk highway or connecting highway.
 Submitted by Department of Transportation.
 Report received from Agency, October 28, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Transportation, Agriculture and Rural Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-122

Relating to major highway project numerical evaluation process.
 Submitted by Department of Transportation.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Transportation, Agriculture and Rural Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-125

Relating to standards for airport siting.
 Submitted by Department of Transportation.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Transportation, Agriculture and Rural Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-126

Relating to construction site erosion control.
 Submitted by Department of Commerce.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-131

Relating to the Wisconsin environmental policy act.
 Submitted by Department of Transportation.
 Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Transportation, Agriculture and Rural Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-134

Relating to critical access hospitals.
 Submitted by Department of Health and Family Services.
 Report received from Agency, October 30, 1998.
 Referred to committee on **Health, Family Services and Aging**, November 4, 1998.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-140

Relating to ambulance inspection.

Submitted by Department of Transportation.

Report received from Agency, October 29, 1998.

Referred to committee on **Transportation, Agriculture and Rural Affairs**, November 4, 1998.

The committee on **Insurance** reports and recommends:

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-078

Relating to the requirements for continuing education for insurance intermediaries.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-079

Relating to the application process and requirements of prelicensing education for insurance agents.

No action taken.

Senate Clearinghouse Rule 98-080

Relating to changes in the requirements for the Wisconsin insurance plan.

No action taken.

Dale Schultz
Chairperson

MOTIONS UNDER SENATE RULE 98

for the Month of October 1998

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Panzer, for Nicholas Patrick Adams, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Moen, for Jordan Anderson, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Roessler, for Nathan Anderson, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Beau J. Ashton, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Drzewiecki, for Angie Borowski, on the occasion of her outstanding contributions to the Tri-County Rescue Squad.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Darling, for Julie Cabou, on the occasion of receiving the 1998 Award for Outstanding Achievement in Domestic Abuse Issues.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Rosenzweig, for Blase Catanese, on the occasion of 41 years of making the Broadway Bar & Grill a Milwaukee landmark.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for the City of Racine, on the occasion of recognizing October 24, 1998 as "Make a Difference Day".

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Ellis, for Brandon Cragun, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator George, for Reverend Fred L. Crouther, on the occasion of 19 years of service to New Covenant Baptist Church.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Fitzgerald, for Jennifer Danish, on the occasion of earning the 4-H Key Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Rude, for the English Lutheran Church of La Crosse, on the occasion of celebrating its centennial in 1998, marking 100 years of service to the community.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Farrow, for Ryan David Flohr, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Rosenzweig, for Dominic H. Frinzi, on the occasion of being named Justinian Person of the Year by the Wisconsin Chapter of the Justinian Society of Lawyers.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Breske, for Tyler Gehrmann, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Darling, for James D. Ghiardi, on the occasion of being honored by the Wisconsin Chapter of the Justinian Society of Lawyers and is awarded the Justinian Society Person of the Year.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Dorothy Bridges Goines, on the occasion of her exemplary record of service to the Racine County community.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Breske, for Christopher Grunenwald, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Risser, for Tom Haag and all the employees of the State Collection Service Incorporation, on the occasion of 50 years of service to the citizens of Wisconsin and the longevity in this Sesquicentennial year.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Weeden, for Erik Hays, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Burke, for the Jewish Home and Care Center, on the occasion of their 25th Anniversary.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Jauch, for Thomas Jeffris, on the occasion of the Grand Opening of the Fairlawn Museum.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for George Kadamian, on the occasion of his years of generosity and time given to the youth of the community.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Jauch, for David R. Kedrowski, on the occasion of his retirement after 16 years of service as the Bayfield County Deputy Sheriff.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Wineke, for Matthew Kleinschmidt, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Fitzgerald, for Paul Kuphall, on the occasion of earning the 4-H Key Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Fitzgerald, for Bryan Kurth, on the occasion of earning the 4-H Key Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Weeden, for Shawn M. Laumann, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Lazich, for Peter J. Lettenberger, on the occasion of being the recipient of the 1998 Don Richards Leadership Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator George, for the Lighthouse Gospel Chapel, on the occasion of 38 years of faithful service.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Burke, for Mr. John T. Meredith, Sr., on the occasion of St. Luke's Episcopal Church celebrating its 125th Anniversary which started in his home in 1871.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Grobschmidt, for Kenneth A. Mueller, on the occasion of being honored as the 1998 Cudahy Veteran of Year.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Russell J. Murphy, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Farrow, for recognizing October 19 -23 as National Business Women's Week.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Schultz, for Richard Neumann, on the occasion of his many years of service to the Hilltoppers Color Guard.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Kristopher Nielsen, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Jauch, for The Northern Waters Library Services, on the occasion of celebrating their 25th Anniversary.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Panzer, for Christopher Philip Olson, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Decker, for the Park Falls Public Library, on the occasion of serving the community since 1906.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Wirch, for Mary Petersen, on the occasion of her 34 years of dedicated service to the Long Term Care.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Ellis, for Chad Prusse, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Justin James Raab, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Schultz, for the Richland Center Foundry Company, on the occasion of celebrating 35 distinguished years of growth and service.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Farrow, for Vincent P. Roffers, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Breske, for Brad Seubert, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Wineke, for Joyce E. Smith, on the occasion of her retirement after 21 years of outstanding customer service to the Dane County Register of Deeds.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Grobschmidt, for St. Adalbert's Catholic Church, on the occasion of celebrating their 100th Anniversary.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Breske, for Garrett Stine, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Panzer, for Spencer Craig Styles, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Breske, for Rachel Taveling, on the occasion of earning and attaining the Girl Scout Gold Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Darling, for Carey Tradewell, on the occasion of being chosen Stateswoman of the Year for 1998.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Panzer, for Michael Van de Castele, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Brandon James Videkovich, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator George, for the Village Adult Services, on the occasion of their newest facility and applaud their continued commitment.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Panzer, for the Wal-Mart Supercenter, on the occasion of its Grand Opening on October 24, 1998.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Bette Wilcox, on the occasion of her years of commitment to her community and the Boy Scouts.

A certificate of congratulations by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Chvala, for Michael G. Young, on the occasion of earning and attaining the rank of the Eagle Scout Award.

A certificate of commendation by the Wisconsin Senate on the motion of Senator Plache, for Christopher and Tammy Zabler, on the occasion of being outstanding volunteers that have provided many services to our community especially Scouting.